

STATEMENT CLAIMING SMALL ENTITY STATUS
(37 CFR 1.27(b)--SMALL BUSINESS CONCERN)

Commissioner for Patents
P.O. Box 1450
Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

Dear Sir:

I hereby state that I am an official of the small business concern empowered to act on behalf of the concern identified below:

BELLUS HEALTH (INTERNATIONAL) LIMITED
PSE-Parc Scientifique sur le site de
l'École Polytechnique Fédérale de Lausanne
Ecublens, CH-1015 Lausanne
Switzerland

I hereby state that the above identified small business concern qualifies as a small business concern, as defined in 13 CFR 121.12, and reproduced in 37 CFR 1.9(d), for purposes of paying reduced fees to the United States Patent and Trademark Office under Sections 41(a) and (b) of Title 35, United States Code, in that the number of employees of the concern, including those of its affiliates, does not exceed 500 persons. For purposes of this statement, (1) the number of employees of the business concern is the average over the previous fiscal year of the concern of the persons employed on a full-time, part-time or temporary basis during each of the pay periods of the fiscal year, and (2) concerns are affiliates of each other when either, directly or indirectly, one concern controls or has the power to control the other, or a third-party or parties controls or has the power to control both.

I hereby state that rights under contract or law have been conveyed to, and remain with, the small business concern identified above, with regard to the inventions described in the applications/patents identified in Appendix A.

If the rights held by the above-identified small business concern are not exclusive, each individual, concern or organization having rights in the invention is listed below and no rights to the invention are held by any person, other than the inventor, who would not qualify as an independent inventor under 37 CFR 1.9(c), if that person made the invention, or by any concern

which would not qualify as a small business concern under 37 CFR 1.9(d) or a nonprofit organization under 37 CFR 1.9(e). Each such person, concern or organization having any rights in the invention is listed below:

Queen's University at Kingston.

I acknowledge the duty to file, in these application(s) or patent(s), notification of any change in status resulting in loss of entitlement to small entity status prior to paying, or at the time of paying, the earliest of the issue fee or any maintenance fee due after the date on which status as a small business entity is no longer appropriate. (37 CFR 1.28(b))

I hereby declare that all statements made herein of my own knowledge are true and that all statements made on information and belief are believed to be true; and further, that these statements were made with the knowledge that willful false statements and the like so made are punishable by fine or imprisonment, or both, under Section 1001 of Title 18 of the United States

Code, and that such willful false statements may jeopardize the validity of the application, any patent issuing thereon, or any patent to which this verified statement is directed.

Shona S. McDiarmid, Ph.D., LLB

Name of Person Signing

Vice President, Intellectual Property and Compliance, BELLUS Health Inc.

Authorized representative of BELLUS Health (International) Limited

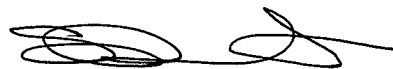
Title of Person if Other Than Owner

BELLUS Health Inc.

275 Armand-Frappier Boulevard

Laval, Quebec H7V 4A7 Canada

Address of Person Signing



Signature

20 FEB 2009

Date

APPENDIX A

M&E Docket No.	Application Number	Filing Date	Patent Number	Issue Date
117734-00304	08/403230	15-Mar-95	5643562	01-Jul-97
117734-00305	08/463548	05-Jun-95	5972328	26-Oct-99
117734-01501	08/471093	06-Jun-95	5858326	12-Jan-99
117734-00306	08/472692	06-Jun-95	5728375	17-Mar-98
117734-00307	08/542997	13-Oct-95	5840294	24-Nov-98
117734-06503	09/576677	23-May-00	6562836B1	13-May-03
117734-08802	09/747408	22-Dec-00	6670399B2	30-Dec-03
117734-06504	10/429198	02-May-03	7393875 B2	01-Jul-08
117734-13905	10/728028	03-Dec-03	7311893 B2	25-Dec-07
117734-16206	10/871365	18-Jun-04	7244764 B2	17-Jul-07
117734-16303	10/871512	18-Jun-04		
117734-16203	10/871514	18-Jun-04	7414076 B2	19-Aug-08
117734-15405	10/871537	18-Jun-04		
117734-15603	10/871543	18-Jun-04	7253306 B2	07-Aug-07
117734-17403	11/274761	14-Nov-05		
117734-19702	11/316693	21-Dec-05		
117734-00302	11/707758	16-Feb-07		
117734-15604	11/776407	11-Jul-07		
117734-16207	11/807759	30-May-07	7598269 B2	06-Oct-09
117734-06505	12/125842	22-May-08		
117734-03202	12/217580	07-Jul-08		
117734-16208	12/549175	27-Aug-09		
117734-16209	12/613412	05-Nov-09		